

## 2002 Wind Related Fatalities

# DATA IN THIS REPORT IS PRELIMINARY

Wind related fatalities totaled 45 in 2002; higher than 2001's total of 31. Many of the deaths (22) occurred when trees or telephone poles fell onto moving vehicles, killing either the driver or occupants. Thunderstorm winds accounted for 38% of the deaths, whereas high winds accounted for 62% of the deaths. Illinois and Ohio suffered the most fatalities with 5 and 4, respectively. Almost three times as many males as females died from thunderstorm and high winds. All age groups were vulnerable to both thunderstorm and high winds.

### 2002 HIGH WIND AND THUNDERSTORM WIND FATALITIES BY STATE AND LOCATION

<u>STATE</u>	<u>BO</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>LS</u>	<u>MH</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>OU</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>VE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CA	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
CT	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
DC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
FL	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
GA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
HI	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
IL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
KS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
LA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
ME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
MT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
NC	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
NE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
NJ	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	3
NV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
NY	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
OH	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	4
OR	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
PA	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
SC	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
TX	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
VA	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
WI	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
WV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>99*</b>

(\* Due to rounding total does not equal 100%)

### 2002 HIGH WIND AND THUNDERSTORM WIND FATALITIES BY AGE AND GENDER

	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
0 TO 9	1	0	0	1	2
10 TO 19	0	1	0	1	2
20 TO 29	6	1	0	7	16
30 TO 39	1	7	0	8	18
40 TO 49	1	5	0	6	13
50 TO 59	1	6	0	7	16
60 TO 69	0	5	0	5	11
70 TO 79	1	1	0	2	4
80 TO 89	1	1	0	2	4
90 TO --	0	0	0	0	0
UNKNOWN	1	5	0	6	13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>99*</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	

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#### LEGEND

**BO** - Boat  
**CA** - Camping  
**LS** - Long-Span Roof  
**MH** - Mobile Home  
**OT** - Other/Unknown  
**OU** - Outside Open  
**PH** - Permanent Home  
**SC** - School  
**VE** - Vehicle

## 2002 Wind Related Fatalities (Continued)

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### 2002 HIGH WIND AND THUNDERSTORM WIND FATALITIES BY STATE

<u>STATE</u>	<u>TSTM WIND</u>	<u>HIGH WIND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CA	0	3	3
CT	0	2	2
DC	2	0	2
FL	1	0	1
GA	1	0	1
HI	0	1	1
IL	1	4	5
KS	1	0	1
LA	1	0	1
ME	0	1	1
MT	0	2	2
NC	0	1	1
NE	0	1	1
NJ	0	3	3
NV	0	2	2
NY	1	1	2
OH	1	3	4
OR	0	2	2
PA	2	1	3
SC	1	1	2
TX	2	0	2
VA	1	0	1
WI	1	0	1
WV	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>100</b>

### 2002 HIGH WIND AND THUNDERSTORM WIND FATALITIES BY GENDER

	<u>TSTM WIND</u>	<u>HIGH WIND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
FEMALE	6	7	13	29
MALE	11	21	32	71
UNKNOWN	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>100</b>	